

**Before the  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of the	)	
	)	
Flexibility for Delivery	)	IB Docket No. 01-185
of Communications by	)	
Mobile Satellite Service Providers	)	
in the 2 GHz Band, the L-Band, and the	)	
1.6/2.4 GHz Band	)	
	)	
Amendment of Section 2.106 of the	)	ET Docket No. 95-18
Commission's Rules to Allocate Spectrum	)	
at 2 GHz for Use by the Mobile Satellite Service	)	

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
TO FILE REPLY COMMENTS**

Pursuant to Section 1.46 of the Commission's rules, Motient Services Inc. ("Motient"), TMI Communications and Company, Limited Partnership ("TMI"), and Mobile Satellite Ventures Subsidiary LLC ("MSV") hereby respectfully request an extension of one week, until November 12, 2001, for the submission of reply comments in the above-referenced proceedings. Good cause exists for an extension of time. Over thirty comments were filed by various parties, and some of the pleadings included detailed technical appendices and analyses. The issues raised in the pleadings cannot be effectively and comprehensively addressed in the brief two week time period originally allotted for reply comments. In addition, the new Commission filing rules that went into effect on October 22, 2001 created several days of uncertainty regarding whether all the comments had been filed. *See* Public Notice, DA 01-2451 (October 18, 2001); Public Notice, DA 01-2430 (October 17, 2001). Moreover, no prejudice will result from grant of this motion. In fact, no parties have a greater interest in the expeditious resolution of this proceeding than Motient, TMI, and MSV.

Accordingly, the public interest will be served by granting this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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